UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA SOUTH BEND DIVISION

LARANE DEE HOLCOMB,)	
Plaintiff,)	
Pidilitii,) CAUSE NO.	3:08-CV-321
V.)	
COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL)	
SECURITY,)	
Defendant.)	

OPINION AND ORDER

This matter is before the Court on Defendant's Motion to Dismiss or, in the Alternative, Motion for Summary Judgment, filed by the Defendant, Michael J. Astrue, Commissioner of Social Security, on September 24, 2008. For the reasons set forth below, the motion is GRANTED. The Clerk is ORDERED to DISMISS Plaintiff's complaint WITH PREJUDICE and to CLOSE this case.

Defendant, Commissioner of Social Security, moved to dismiss this case on the ground that the action is barred by the time limitation specified in section 205(g) of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 405(g). Specifically, Defendant argues that Plaintiff failed to commence the action within 60 days after the date notice of the Commissioner's final decision was mailed to her, nor was the action commenced within any time extended by the Appeals Council of the Social Security Administration.

In her Response, Plaintiff, Larane Holcomb, indicates that

after review of the motion and consultation with her counsel, she

does not oppose Defendant's motion.

The Court concurs that Plaintiff's case is barred by the sixty

day limitation specified in section 205(g) of the Act. The Appeals

Council notice of the denial of request for review was dated and

mailed to Plaintiff on April 25, 2008 (see Ex. 2). The date of

receipt is presumed to be five days after the date of such notice,

unless a reasonable showing to the contrary is made to the Appeals

Counsel. See 20 C.F.R. §§ 416.1401, 422.210(c). Based on this

date, Plaintiff must have filed a civil action on or before June

29, 2008. However, Plaintiff did not file her complaint until July

9, 2008. Because the complaint is untimely and Plaintiff has not

put forth any circumstance justifying the extension of the time to

file (to the contrary, Plaintiff does not oppose the motion to

dismiss), the Court hereby grants the motion.

DATED: May 13, 2009

/s/RUDY LOZANO, Judge United States District Court

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